GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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MASTER PLAN OF ANDHRA PRADESH
M.V.V.S MURTHI

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Union Government toshare the cost of preparation of Master Plan for Hyderabad, Tirupati, Visakhapatnam and Nagarjuna Sagar;

(b) if so, the present position of the requests; and

(c) the time by which the plan is likely to be cleared by the Union Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE: (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a), (b) and (c): Yes, Sir. Andhra Pradesh Government has engaged the services of M/s. EDAW, U.K. and its agency M/s. Tourism Features, New Delhi for preparing macro andmicro plans of Tirupati and Hyderabad. Similarly, the services of M/s. KPMG Ltd. was utilised for preparing project report on micro and macro plans on coastal tourism. They have also obtained the services of World Tourism Organisation for preparing perspective tourism plan for Andhra Pradesh. The Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh vide his letter dated 17.11.1998 had requested the Ministry of Tourism to release 50 per cent of the consultancy expenses, i.e. Rs. 1,86,89,677.00. Since the budget available for the preparation of master plan is limited, the Department of Tourism, Government of India has not provided the assistance requested for. However, the Department of Tourism has decided to provide Central financial assistance subject to the maximum of Rs.10.00 lakhs to each State to draw up 20 years perspective plan as per guidelines issued in this regard.